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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Allied officer, commenting on ROK defense of Korean east-central front: "This is the greatest achievement of the ROK army. It justifies the great effort and great faith it took to create it." . . . [2] Western For'gn Ministers (U S, Britain, France) advocating an early meeting of the group with Soviet Minister V M Molotov: "Solid foundations for peace can be built only by constructive action. . . Those who genuinely want peace must seek to restore liberty, hope and human dignity." . . . [3] Otto GROTEWOHL, E German premier, rejecting U S offer of food: "The American imperialists, who are suddenly so concerned for the German Democratic Republic, should better be concerned that the 1½ million unemployed in W Germany are properly fed and get work." . . . [4] Dr Ros't L JOHNSON, retiring head of Internat'l Information Administration, deplored the "book-burning" controversy: "The burning of a book is a wicked symbolic act. . .

Quote of the Week

Gen ALFRED M GRUENTHER, new supreme commander of Allied forces in Europe, discussing Soviet unrest: "The menace of that ruthless machine remains undiminished. Indeed it would be well to remember that all too often war has been the desperate solution of tyranny confronted by such an internal condition."

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We don't deal with ideas we dislike by imitating the totalitarian techniques we despise." . . [5] Adlai STEVENSON, on proposed "Big 4" conference: "I favor negotiation under favorable circumstances. If we close the doors to negotiation, we open the doors to war." . . . [6] Postmaster Gen'l ARTHUR E SUMMERFIELD, terming proposed postal rate increases "a major downpayment on tax reduction": "These proposed increases represent the biggest bargain on earth, but Americans will trade pennies for dollars anytime."

THIRTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



The proposal to dispose of farm surplus thru a "give-away" program is developing into quite a story. The President's dramatic offer of \$15 million worth of food to the people of E Berlin was a relatively small offshoot of the original program. (As anticipated, the offer has been indignantly spurned by Communists, who took the occasion to renew assertion that U S instigated the Berlin riots. However, by stating that the food is available, Mr Eisenhower made a prompt and decisive move in psychological warfare that may have delayed repercussions.)

The President has asked Congress for authority to dispose of CCC surplus commodities (now totaling over \$3 billion, including products under loan.) Bills are pending in House and Senate. Mbrs are favorably disposed, but Mr Eisenhower will get no blank check. Republicans have been crit-

ical of such vast transfers of power in the past, and must consistently offer some restrictions. (Congress would vote the food distribution anyway, as it did in the cases of India and Pakistan, but the President wants to be in position to move swiftly when there is occasion to do so.) Action at this session is problematical. If the measure gets clearance it could be passed (with restricting amendments) in short order.

There are reasons, quite apart from the humanitarian, for getting these surpluses out of the way. Some of the commodities are deteriorating. And Americans get mad when good food goes bad. A second compelling consideration is the fact that we are running out of storage space. With new surpluses moving in we must get rid of older wares. But it's a touchy business. Recipients of our bounty must be carefully selected, or other nations will accuse us of "dumping" to demoralize world mktks. We are not the only people with a surplus-commodity problem. The only permanently satisfying solutions are (a) a systematic reduction in acreage and production (political poison) or (b) a less anemic world purse.



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Charles Holden, designer



AMERICA—1

Certainly anyone who would say that our nat'l interests have been promoted in these postwar yrs would have to answer the question, Promoted from what to what?—JOHN M VORYS, *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*.

ART—2

Schopenhauer says that a picture is like a king: we must stand before him in silence until he speaks to us. But a picture, a statue, a poem does not always speak, and does not speak to everyone; and the unworthy, who intrude into the Sistine Chapel, are condemned to the punishment of being hopelessly bored.—ANGELO CONTI, *La Beata Riva*.

ASIA—Future—3

Unless they have the conviction of our cooperation and unless there is some counteraction to the incessant Soviet penetration, the chances are that the nations of Asia will embrace Communism or be embraced by it.—JOHN J MC CLOY, *The Challenge to American For'gn Policy* (Harvard Univ Press).

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If East Asia is to be saved from coming under the influence or control of the Soviet Union, it will not be by Westerners but by East Asians.—W MACMAHON BALL, *Nationalism and Communism in East Asia* (Cambridge Univ Press).

ATOMIC AGE—4

We recently entered a room, the door to which was labeled, "Atomic Age." The room is so large, and so dimly lighted, we cannot begin to conceive its size, or recognize what is in it. We do not know how many doors lead from this room into other rooms, perhaps just as significant in the history of man. We have crossed the threshold and we cannot turn back. All we can do is to go forward boldly—and as wisely as we can. — GORDON DEAN, ret'g chmn, U S Atomic Energy Comm.

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The role of public speaker
Was never really mine,
Until I moved to the country
And got a party line!

—THOS USK, *Christian Science Monitor*.
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BEHAVIOR—6

This is not the Age of Meditative Man. It is a sprinting, squinting, shoving age. Substitutes for repose are a billion-dollar business. Almost daily new antidotes for contemplation spring into being and leap out from the nation's counters. Silence, already the nation's most critical shortage, is almost a nasty word. Modern man may or may not be obsolete, but he is certainly wired for sound, and he has ants in his pants.—NORMAN COUSINS, *Sat Review*.

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Washington

by Les and Liz Carpenter

Waldorf-Astoria exec, visiting Washington, confides they were concerned recently with Truman, MacArthur and Herbert Hoover all guests in Waldorf Towers at same time. Decided it wouldn't do to risk getting 'em in elevator simultaneously. So the 3 floors housing these distinguished guests were serviced separately. Operators were told that if any of the 3 men got on an elevator, he was to be taken to his destination without a stop.

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New Demo gag: "Have you heard about the 'Republican Glide'? It's one step forward, 2 steps back, hesitate and side-step."

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Sen Paul Douglas (D-Ill) hints he may step aside for Adlai Stevenson to try for Senate next yr. Stevenson is counted almost sure to run if Douglas doesn't... Att'y Gen'l Herbert Brownell has had all paintings of Roosevelt-Truman att'y's gen'l removed from his front office. In their place, lone painting of a distant ancestor, Wm H H Miller, who held the job in Benj Harrison's administration.

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Creation of SUNFED (Special United Nations Fund for Economic Development) brings disgusted comment from Rep W C Hunter (R-Calif): "We may even see SUNKIST—Special United Nations Kitty in Support of Termites."

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BOOKS—Reading—7

We do not believe (Americans) are prepared to sacrifice their heritage of a free press in order to be "protected" against what others think may be bad for them. We believe they will favor free enterprise in ideas and expression...

We believe every American community must jealously guard the freedom to publish and to circulate, in order to preserve its own freedom to read.—From the *Manifesto on Book Freedom*, adopted by the council of the American Library Ass'n.

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The freedom to read does not mean the right to sit by the fire with a book. It means the right to listen to a free voice speaking from the page, the right of that voice to speak freely to our condition, and our right to reply in freedom, or to remain quiet if we will. — Judge CURTIS BOE, "The Duty of Freedom," *Saturday Review*, 7-11-'53.

CHILD—Training—8

There is a popular conception in some circles that the "modern generation" is going to hell in a handcar, or perhaps a hot-rod. We heard this taken care of very adequately by a speaker who quoted an unnamed author: "We provide our young people with more critics than examples."—*KVP Philosopher*, hm, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Co.

CIVILIZATION—9

One of the truest tests of a civilization is its willingness to tolerate the unconventionality of its gifted citizens.—SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago Daily News*.

Mining the Magazines



One cannot measure the effectiveness of the *Democratic Digest* without precise knowledge of what the Nat'l Committee expects of it. The initial issue (out last wk) makes a neat partisan pkg. And, for an official party organ, it is remarkably restrained. There are effective punches at the opposition where it is most vulnerable. Succinctly, it is about what you would expect to find in a nice little paper dedicated to moderate intellectuals who expect to vote Democratic anyway. There is not much here for the mass voter who likes his politics rough, raw and rancorous. But, then, the mass voter isn't likely to plank down a quarter for any kind of a political parcel when he can buy a *Space-Man* comic, infinitely more exhilarating, for less money.

For a long time periodicals have determined readership thru a formula of multiplying subscribers by 3.5 (average family unit.) Admittedly a fanciful "guesstimate" since many family mbrs are below reader age and others may have little or no interest. Fortnight ago this practice caught up with *Tri-City Herald*, Pasco, Wash. Local resident won a damage suit against the paper. Court awarded compensation on basis of \$1 a reader. Judge adopted the publisher's promotion formula; multiplied 12,000 actual circulation by 3.5, granted the damaged citizen \$40,000.

More than 25 yrs have passed since the Dep't of Agriculture gave out its last free seeds. Still requests pour in. Finally, the dep't issued a humorous booklet on the subject, "No! No! A Thousand Times No!"

Result: a temporary spurt in the number of requests for free seeds.—*N Y Times Mag.*

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An interesting quirk is introduced by *American Hairdresser*, a trade jnl celebrating its 75th anniv with the July issue. In this diamond jubilee number the mag will reproduce a number of "fond memory" ads that have appeared in its pages thru the yrs. Advertisers are scheduling 1953 copy opposite their own old-time ads.

Announced for summer, pocket-size monthly, *Nugget*, which "hopes to combine certain virtues of *Esquire* and *The New Yorker*." Edited by Lou Shainmark, former Hearst newspaper exec. St John Pub Co.

We hear that *Critique*, a new mag in the planning stage, will be "the highest of the highbrows." Proposed publishers are a pr of N Y intellectuals, Mary McCarthy and Dwight McDonald.

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A Modern Version of the Twenty-third Psalm

Science is my shepherd. I shall not want. It maketh me to lie down in an in-a-door bed that will fold away in the daytime, creating the illusion that we have a large apt.

It sweepeth my wife's floors, washeth her dishes, ordereth her groceries, maintaineth 70 degrees F inside the house, 45 degrees inside the iceless icebox, and 212 degrees on top of the gas stove.

It furnisheth her with radio music, salad recipes and the President's message while she watcheth the scientific things hum and buzz. It restoreth her school-girl complexion, waveth her hair, and maketh her seem altogether youthful.

Meanwhile it leadeth me into strange paths of ethical conduct, where, under the guise of "service" I can continue to fleece my fellowman. . . . and make money, which I need on the first of the month to keep up the bluff that we are prosperous.

Yea, tho I walk thru the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for I will have my tonsils, adenoids and vermiciform appendix removed . . . for Science is with me, its test tube and lab'y findings they comfort me. It prepareth a well-filled table before me in the presence of those who are less fortunate in the scramble for place and power; it anointeth my head with Stay-comb; my cup runneth over.

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COMMUNISM—Alternative—11

The answer to Communism will have to be a movement as internationalist as the Communist movement, or rather, more genuinely internationalist. It will have to provide a sounder and less costly means than Communism for solving the economic problem of the disadvantaged peoples. It will have to be a movement which can match and surpass Communism in providing a world-view or philosophy of history and the spiritual dynamism which creates discipline and unquenchable hope. — A J MUSTE, "Superman or Superstate?" *Progressive*, 7-'53.

DEFENSE—12

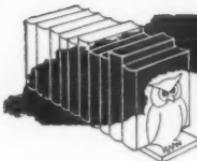
The defense of this country cannot, in fact, be assured by weapons alone or by the power of swift and terrible retaliation against attack. It must be political defense, an adjustment of ideas and interests which will render world peace as necessary as world war is catastrophic.—JAY FRANKLIN, *Republicans on the Potomac* (McBride).

ECONOMY—13

One person you have to watch if you are going to save money is yourself.—*Banking*.

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Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell . . . on earth as long as I possibly can, and come to the end with an overwhelming sense of the emptiness of life, and I shall be filled with regrets forever.
—*Christian Advocate*. 10



Book Briefs

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If a yr's output of cartoons with a desert-island theme were spread side by side the exhibit would provide graphic evidence of the interest we all harbor in water-bound real estate. Ever dream of owning an island? Well, maybe it isn't a completely fanciful chimera. Rob't Froman has just written a book for such as we: *One Million Islands for Sale* (Duell, Sloan & Pearce.) The title, he insists, is no exaggeration. There may be twice that number of islands for sale or lease along the coasts and in the lakes and rivers of the U S and Canada. They range from the Gulf of Mexico to Alaska, from the Maritime Provinces to Southern California. Some are tame and tranquil; others as wild as you wish. You can buy an unimproved island for as little as \$10 an acre, or perhaps rent one, up to 1000 acres in area, for \$25 a yr. In brief, this engaging volume tells where the islands are, how to get one to your taste and live happily ever after. Author Froman? Oh, he resides on a farm near N Y and visits his island-owning friends!

If you are taking your dog with you on a motoring trip, you'll appreciate a helpful little book, *Touring With Towser*. Contains a list of motels and other accomodations where canines are acceptable. Price 10c. Gaines Dog Research Center, Kankakee, Ill.

Shortly after the War Assets Administration announced an island sale a distinguished elderly gentleman visited the office: "I understand," he said, "you are offering Great Gull Island for sale. What kinds of trees grow there?" Informed that there were no trees on the island he snorted, "No trees! Why that's absurd. The only reason I want an island is to sit under the trees in peace and quiet."—ROB'T FROMAN, *One Million Islands For Sale*.

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Freeman Lewis, exec vice-pres of Pocket Books, addressing the Canadian booksellers' convention recently, made some disturbing observations on the future of paper-bound books. He pointed out that in wholesalers' stockrooms and publishers' warehouses there are presently a quantity of these little books equal to a yr's retail sales. New titles are being added at the rate of nearly 100 a month. A further slackening of demand (sales are currently off 10 to 15%) may lead wholesalers to cast back vast quantities of unsold and unsaleable merchandise. It happened once before, in the late '80's, Mr Lewis recalls. And most of the publishers went bankrupt.

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The Compleat Angler

IZAAK WALTON wrote his unique compendium of philosophy and piscatorial lore in his 60th yr, after retirement as a London tradesman. (Marking the 300th anniv of publication, Stackpole is bringing out a de luxe edition.) Walton added to the book for 20 yrs. Nowhere in our language are there more delightful pictures of the English countryside. Basically, the book is a dialogue betwixt an Angler, a Hunter and a Falconer, each commanding his recreation. Piscator, the Angler, calls upon Holy Writ to support his case:

I might tell you that Almighty God is said to have spoken to a fish, but never to a beast; that he hath made a whale a ship, to carry and set his prophet, Jonah, safe on the appointed shore. . . And for the lawfulness of fishing: It may very well be maintained by our Savior's bidding St Peter cast his hook into the water, and catch a fish, for money to pay tribute to Caesar. . .

In the Scriptures, angling is always taken in the best sense; hunting is but seldom to be so understood. And let me add this more: he that views the ancient "Ecclesiastical Canons" shall find hunting to be forbidden to churchmen as being a turbulent recreation; and shall find angling allowed to clergymen, as a harmless recreation.

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FOREIGN RELATIONS—14

No nation which achieves enormous power can expect to be universally loved at the peak of that power. It can win respect, and perhaps even some trust, but not love.—EDW W BARRETT, *Truth Is Our Weapon* (Funk & Wagnalls).

GARDENING—15

Do you think you have a chance with weeds in your garden? A single crabgrass plant will produce 90,000 healthy seeds, cocklebur 10,000, ragweed 25,000, and Russian thistle over a million.—1953 Book of Knowledge.

HAPPINESS—16

The collected pleasures of everyday life fade quickly unless there is at the heart of them the gladness of having done something that has made someone happier.—Community Tidings.

HISTORY—17

History is a series of opportunities which modify in a moment and lend an infinite variety to policy which cloaks ideology.—CYRIL BRYNER, Univ of British Columbia, "Russian Interest in Africa," *Current History*, 7-'53.

LANGUAGE—18

We know an advertising copywriter who is married to a beautiful (but not too brilliant) blonde. She was "terribly flattered" when he asked her to read every word of every piece of copy he wrote.

Questioned about this, he had an answer that makes every other readership study pale into insignificance: "I figure if she can understand my message, anybody can!"—Brass Tacks, hm, Bob Robinson, Inc.

Pathways to the Past

Week of
Aug 9-15



Aug 9—Izaak Walton, author of *The Compleat Angler* and inspiration for Izaak Walton League of sports enthusiasts, b in England, 360 yrs ago. (A stone erected in his memory bears the lines: "Death wandered by the sea/ And, struck by Walton's looks/ Broke Izaak's line of life/ And took him off the hooks"). . . Adoniram Judson, Baptist missionary who translated the Bible into the Burmese language, b 165 yrs ago. (Honore Willsie Morrow's novel, *Splendor of God*, is based on his life.)

Aug 10—*Feast of St Lawrence*. . . Rather interesting ceremony at West Point 175 yrs ago today: the weighing of officers. (Gen Washington tipped scales at 209; only 3 of the group weighed under 200. Men of that day ran to out sizes.) . . . 35 yrs ago Gen Pershing (with consent of Gen Foch) took command of U S 1st Army in France.

Aug 11—*End of Dog Days* (began July 3). . . Accepting the Republican nomination for President of the U S 25 yrs ago, Herbert Hoover said: "We in America today are nearer the final triumph over poverty than ever before in the history of any land." (Hoover did not originate the phrase, "a chicken in every pot, a car in every garage" used in the '28 campaign. It 1st appeared in a newspaper ad sponsored by Republican

Nat'l Comm. Inspiration may have been a boast of Henri IV of France, who sought "a fowl in the pot of every peasant in the land on Sundays.") Hoover's 79th b'day, Aug 10.

Aug 12—*Feast of St Clare* (founder of the Order of Franciscan nuns, sometimes called "Poor Clares"). . . Spanish-American War ended with peace protocol with Spain, signed at Washington 55 yrs ago. . . Hawaii formally annexed by U S same day.

Aug 13—*Feast of St Hippolytus*. . . Lucy Stone b 135 yrs ago. (Her career as an advocate of "woman's rights" inspired the Lucy Stone League, comprised of matrons who retain their maiden names.)

Aug 14—2nd Seminole Indian War ended in Fla 110 yrs ago. (It just about ended the Seminoles, too!). . . A later conflict, World War II, ended 8 yrs ago, altho V-J Day was officially set as Sep 2.

Aug 15—*Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary*. . . Thos Edw Lawrence ("Lawrence of Arabia") British adventurer, scholar and soldier, b 65 yrs ago (d. '35). . . An unhappy b'day for the Republic of Korea (proclaimed a republic 5 yrs ago today).

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"Of all things!"

Dr Irving J Lee, who teaches speech at Northwestern Univ, has become deeply concerned with what he terms "trigger" words. "Liberal," "conservative," "reactionary," "left-wing," "red" are just a few of these disturbing terms. He contends that the pre-judgment of people and ideas with trigger words is a real menace to sound thinking. Arguments are reduced to symbols. And no one can be quite sure what another means by one of these loosely-used terms.

To bear out his point that real thinking is stultified by careless use of language, Dr Lee has been conducting a number of experiments. Here is the procedure:

A whispering campaign is started among an audience to the effect that the speaker is socialist-minded. The speaker then gives an ultra-conservative talk. The audience fills out a questionnaire. "An overwhelming majority," says Dr Lee, "will call the speaker 'left-wingish'."

In another experiment, Dr Lee announced that he believed basically in Holy Writ, but wished to point out that medical science has shown, contrary to the Old Testament, that leprosy is not contagious. Seventy-two per cent of the group labeled Dr Lee an agnostic or a Bible-hater.

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LEADERSHIP—19

One of the weaknesses in our educational system is that we have nothing to parallel West Point and Annapolis for training top leadership in public affairs. — HAROLD STASSEN.

LOVE—20

A little love during periods of distress is worth more than great adoration during periods of happiness.—*La Femme et la Vie*, Paris (QUOTE translation).

MARRIED LIFE—21

A perfect marriage is a hearth and a horizon.—*Australasian Mfr.*

MODERN AGE—22

Listed for sale in the Owl Drug-stores, Los Angeles: "Colonial TV Stools, \$1.98."—*New Yorker*.

MORALITY—23

A morality which is not alert to all that men need and find good or evil is blind and fossilized, while a morality whose injunctions are not constantly corrected by scientific knowledge of the sit'n with which the injunctions deal, and of the adequacy of the commanded techniques in such sit'n's, is dogmatic and superstitious.—CHAS W MORRIS, *Kenyon Review*.

MUSIC—24

The music of our day cannot touch other regions of our intellectual and emotional life than those touched in participants of the past by their own contemporary music. In this respect a modern symphony orchestra is neither more advanced nor better than the simple tune a stone-age man created musically on his bone flute.—PAUL HINDEMITH, *A Composer's World* (Harvard Univ Press).

OPTIMISM—Pessimism—25

Optimists are people who sell things to pessimists. The former have the enthusiasm but the latter have the money. Without pessimists, there would be no need for insurance—or banking.—HERBERT A LEGGETT, *Arizona Progress*, hm, Valley Nat'l Bank, Phoenix, Ariz.

PEACE—War—26

It takes two to make a peace but only one to start a war.—JAY FRANKLIN, *Republicans on the Potomac* (McBride).

PRODUCTION—27

Production, as I see it, is merely a tool to be used by society for its own advancement. To produce more and more with less and less effort is merely treading water—unless we thereby release time and energy for the cultivation of the mind and spirit.—CLARENCE B RANDALL, *Challenge Mag.*

RELIGION—28

We look upon this world, and wonder what can save it. Can science? Science is only a multiplying device. The airplane increases the speed of travel for the brutish man as well as for the saintly. Propaganda is radiated from the sending station as readily as truth. The quickest way to the goal of the world's unity is the longest way round—it is the conversion of men's hearts to the will of God. Everything else is superficial.—*Upper Room*.

RESEARCH—29

Research is a step-child in our society. Like a dog living on the crumbs he gets from his master's table, research lives on leftovers from other investments. — JACOB ROSIN & MAX EASTMAN, *The Road to Abundance* (McGraw Hill).

SEXES—30

The U S is a land where men govern but women rule. — JOHN MASON BROWN, "Women Are Good Listeners," *McCall's*, 7-'53.

SOVIET—Ideology—31

The recklessness with which the Russians are carrying out their mental operations in the people's democracies is reaching dangerous proportions. Consistent reasoning which orders one to bypass a fact when a concept comes into conflict with reality must eventually lead to costly errors. — CZESLAW MIŁOSZ, *The Captive Mind*, translated by JANE ZIELONKO (Knopf).

SPEECH—Speaking—32

When a speaker uses an apt quotation, you can bet your last dollar he has just looked it up.—*Burlington (Wis) Democrat*.

SUCCESS—33

You know a man is successful when the newspapers start quoting him on subjects he knows nothing about.—*Oregon (Wis) Observer*.

SUCCESS—Failure—34

Failures are the fertilizer of artistic life.—H W HEINSHEIMER, *Fanfare for Two Pigeons* (Doubleday).

VIEWPOINT—35

We see things not as they are, but as we are.—H M TOMLINSON, *Sunshine Mag.*

WORLD TRADE—36

Where goods cross borders, rarely do soldiers cross borders.—ERIC JOHNSTON, pres, Motion Picture Ass'n of America, on ABC radio network.

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Good Stories

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you can use

A new high in hysteria appears to have been averted by the ruling of a N Y judge in the case of a city washroom attendant who was a Communist from '36 to '39. The N Y C Civil Service Commission had removed the man from his job, saying that some Communists just pretended to have left the party.

The *N Y Herald-Tribune* thought the Commission feared the man might be "promoted to a similar position in Washington, or some other sensitive locale."

As for us, we can't imagine what a Communist could do to subvert a washroom, unless he scratched out the capitalistic word "Kilroy" and changed it to read, "Malenkov Was Here."—*Democratic Digest*. a

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A Scottish farmer, newly married, invited a friend to his house to meet the bride, a person of remarkably plain appearance.

"Well, what do ye think o' her, Jack?" the groom asked when they were alone.

"Weel," said the other meditatively, "she's no' verry bonnie."

"True," repl'd the husband. "She's no' much t' look at, but she's a real good hearted woman. Ugly outside, it may be, but all that's lovely inside."

"Ah, then," said the friend, "tis a peety ye canna' flip her!" b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

Rev CARL DAN'L SOULTS
Avenal, California

The army chapel was filled to capacity when word came that the Chaplain was unavoidably detained. The Commanding Officer, wishing his men to have a service, pressed an Episcopalian Book of Common Prayer into the hands of his top sergeant and told him to read a service.

The sergeant progressed smoothly thru the Prayers and the Confession of Sins. Continuing, he pronounced Absolution of Sins on the assembled group. At this point the sergeant noted, somewhat to his consternation, that Absolution could be granted only thru an ordained minister. He hesitated only a moment. But his fine army training did not forsake him. "Attention, men!" he called out. "As you were before!"

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A small boy being pushed around in a crowd gave vent to his feelings. A woman observed, "My word! Doesn't that little boy swear terribly?"

"Yes'm, he sure does," repl'd another urchin. "He knows the words all right but he don't put no expression in 'em." — *Northwestern Bell*, hm, Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. c



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Pres Theodore Roosevelt, before leaving the White House, was making detailed plans for his African big game hunt. Hearing that a famous British big-game hunter was in the country, he invited him to the White House to gain some pointers for his trip.

After a 2-hr conf, during which the two were not disturbed, the Englishman came out.

"What did you tell the Pres?" a reporter asked.

"I told him my name," said the wearied visitor.—*Wright Line*, hm, Wright & Co. d

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A farmer bought one of the self-propelled lawnmowers for his wife, started it up with the little lady at the helm, and left for town. When he ret'd three hrs later he found an exhausted wife. He had forgotten to show her how to shut off the engine, so she kept on steering it around until a neighbor came to the rescue.—JACK LOUGH, *Albion* (Neb). News. e

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A Sunday School teacher told her class of little boys about crowns of glory and heavenly reward for good people. "Now tell me," she said, "who will get the biggest crown?"

There was a silence; then Johnny repl'd: "Him wot's got the biggest head."—*Philnews*, hm, Phillips Petroleum Co. f

Bathing suits this summer are going to be more than some women can bare.—KAY INGRAM.

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Well reared girls shouldn't wear slacks.—A A SCHILLING.

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Nothing distributes wealth like taxation and a large family.—Banking.

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Say what you will about women drivers, on a summer trip it is better to let them drive than do the map reading. — Changing Times.

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Thanks to progress in the movies, a world which has always known horror now gets it in three dimensions.—*Boston Globe*.

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The nice thing about a college education is that it enables us to worry about things all over the world.—U of Va News.

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Girdle — the difference between facts and figures.—*Times of Brazil*, Sao Paulo.

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A necessity is a luxury just acquired by the neighbors.—FRANCES RODMAN.

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For a gal to get into TV she has to know somebody or have some body.—*Jnl-Enquirer*, Grayson, Ky.

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The minister had outlined his service to the organist and then explained that after his sermon he would ask mbrs who would pledge \$5 to the fund for choir robes to stand.

"When I ask for donations," admonished the minister, "there may be some delay while people are making up their minds. If so, you play some appropriate music."

He was a surprised man when, after he had asked for contributions, the organist launched into a lively rendition of *The Star Spangled Banner*. — *Capper's Wkly.* **g**

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Two men were dining together in a restaurant. After a time they got on to politics and their voices rose. When it looked as if blows might be exchanged, the proprietor came dashing up: "Gentlemen," he admonished, "leave politics alone and eat and drink."

"Nonsense!" snapped one of the diners. "If a man thinks only of eating and drinking, what distinguishes him from cattle?"

Said the proprietor firmly, "Pay-
ing the bill, sir." — *Tit-Bits*,
London. **h**

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A man who dearly loved his after-dinner cigar was old Seth Abernathy who lived down in the Ozark country. His wife smelled something burning one evening and hollered, "Land's sake, Seth! You've set your whiskers on fire."

"I know it," he ans'd angrily. "Cain't you see me prayin' for rain?" — *BENNETT CERF, King Features Syndicate.* **i**

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A fifth grade boy was sent to the map during a current events class to locate India. He found it with no trouble and then informed the class, "It's right on the 25 yd line." — *Nebraska Education News.* **j**

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Impatient Patients

"I must see the doctor at once," said the bustling little man. "It's about my dreams."

"You want the doctor to stop you from having these dreams?" suggested the receptionist.

"Oh, no," explained the patient. "The thing is, I am now having 3-dimensional dreams, and I want the doctor to give me some polarized glasses." — *Wall St Jnl.*

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A woman went to a doctor to complain about her husband's delusion. "It's terrible, Doctor," she said. "All the time he thinks he's a refrigerator."

"Well," consoled the medical man, "that isn't too bad. Quite a harmless delusion, I'd say."

"The delusion I don't mind, Doctor. But when he sleeps with his mouth open, the little light keeps me awake!" — *JOHN STRALEY, Investment Dealer's Digest.* **k**

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A youngster, being scolded for a poor report card, asked:

"Dad, what do you think is the trouble with me—heredity or environment?" — *United Mine Workers Jnl.* **l**

A woman riding on a bus one day was complaining to the woman next to her that she and her husband always argued over who should get up and give their baby his bottle at the 2 AM feeding time. After complaining for several min's, she said to her companion, an older woman:

"In your family, who got up in the middle of the night to give the baby his bottle?"

"Well," replied the other woman with a smile, "it certainly wasn't my husband. You see, in those days, we didn't have bottles." — DAN BENNETT.

A dentist found it almost impossible to work on a certain fussy, talkative woman patient. She gave him not only an exhaustive diagnosis of her dental problems, but also detailed instructions on how to remedy them.

After several vain attempts to get an explorer and mirror into her mouth, he put down his implements and walked away.

"Are you not going to work on me?" shrilled the outraged woman.

The dentist paused before leaving the room. "It is not advisable, madam. You and I practice entirely different kinds of dentistry." — WILMA POLAND, *Oral Hygiene*. n



Something To Bank On

Mechanical Fingers Help Canadian Banks Count Cash Faster.—Newspaper headline.

North of the border
It seems that the banks
Now boast of a gadget
Unknown to us Yanks.

Mechanical fingers
Efficiently count
The dollars before them
And tab the amount.

These fingers are tireless,
Develop no aches,
They're stalwart and steady
And make no mistakes.

They're better than human,
They're nimble and quick,
And none of the money
Is likely to stick.

A somewhat conceited clergyman who was more celebrated for the length of his sermons than for their eloquence, once asked the late Father Healy what he thought of the one just preached. "Well, sir," repl'd the humorist, "I liked one passage exceedingly well."

"Indeed, Father Healy, and pardon me for asking which passage you refer to?"

"Well, my dear sir," repl'd the wit, "the passage I refer to was that from the pulpit to the vestry room." — *Great Northern Goat*, hm, Great Northern Ry Co. o

A mother, after viewing one of those "Kinerama" extra-dimension films, explained, "It's something like being in a small room with a group of active youngsters—everything is coming at you from all directions." — *Christian Science Monitor*. p

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Quote-ettes

Gov ROB'T B CROSBY, Nebraska, rejecting suggestion of younger element that statue atop state capitol bldg be changed to one of Marilyn Monroe: "Maybe I'm suffering from the conservatism that comes with age, but I still think the sower looks pretty good." 1-Q-t

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A H SHOWALTER, U S Weather Bureau, Washington, on requirements for a perfect Weather Man: "All he needs is 18 yrs of education, 50 yrs of experience—and at least 2 wks to make the perfect forecast." 2-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the NEW

A cigarette-lighter with built-in camera, the combination no bigger than the usual lighter. The camera, for use indoors or outdoors, comes with two film magazines plus film cutter \$19.95. (Westchester Sales, 33 Dante, Larchmont, N Y).

Film development calculator provides quick, easy way to figure development times for different films in different developers at different temperatures. This lets darkroom worker develop films scientifically to the exact contrast (gamma) he desires. (Science News Letter, 1719 N St N W, Washington, D C).

A film developing tank with a film reel that loads itself. The self-threading reel cuts film handling to a minimum, eliminates danger of binding, buckling and scratching. It speeds normally troublesome film loading operations even in total darkness. \$4.95. (ANSCO, 40 Charles St, Binghamton, N Y).

"Blower brush" for camera lenses, negatives and slides has a soft, fine-quality brush attached to a rubber bulb. A squeeze of the bulb gets rid of most of the dirt and brush sweeps away the remainder. (Science News Letter, 1719 N St N W, Washington, D C).

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